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MEMORANDUM FOR: National Intelligence Officer for Economics

FROM: Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT: Industrial Mobilization Capability

1. Lionel Olmer expressed to me the other day his great concern about the steady impairment of our industrial mobilization capability and his frustration that nobody in town seems to be addressing it. He mentioned Dick Levine, working under Roger Robinson at the NSC staff, who has some responsibility in that area, but I don't remember in what connection he was mentioned. He did say that [redacted] on his staff, is the most knowledgeable person about the sad state of our industrial base in mobilization terms.

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2. This is something I want to look at in foreign intelligence terms. What capabilities are being shifted offshore? What are the motivations? What are the implications? Pursuant to my conversation with Lionel Olmer, [redacted] has called over to say he is ready to provide a briefing. I would like you to get in touch with him [redacted] receive the briefing and then tell me what role we can play in providing information that the policymakers would need to address the problem.

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